

MIZORAM PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

LIMITED DEPARTMENTAL EXAMINATIONS OF LOWER DIVISION CLERK FOR PROMOTION TO UPPER DIVISION CLERK UNDER VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS, GOVERNMENT OF MIZORAM. OCTOBER, 2017

PAPER - I

Time Allowed : 3 hours

FM : 100 PM : 35

Marks for each question is indicated against it.

1. Write an essay on any one of the following topics : (30)

- Rain water harvesting in Mizoram.
- Disaster Management in Mizoram
- The role of Non-Governmental Organisations(NGOs) in Mizo Society.

2. As Additional Secretary to the Government of Mizoram, draft an Office Memorandum on Christmas and New Year holiday arrangements. (20)

3. Write a precis of the given passage : (15)

When we survey our lives and efforts we soon observe that almost the whole of our actions and desires are bound up with the existence of other human beings. we notice that whole nature resembles that of the social animals. We eat food that others have produced, wear clothes that others have made, live in houses that others have built. The greater part of our knowledge and beliefs has been passed on to us by other people through the medium of language which others have created. Without language and mental capacities, we would have been poor indeed comparable to higher animals. We have, therefore, to admit that we owe our principal knowledge even the least to the fact of living in human society. The individual if left alone from birth would remain primitive and beast-like in his thoughts and feelings to a degree that we can hardly imagine. The individual is what he is and has the significance that he has, not much in virtue of the individuality, but rather as a member of a great human community, which directs his material and spiritual existence from the cradle to the grave.

4. Insert appropriate articles : (5×1=5)

- (a) Copper is ____ useful metal.
- (b) French is ____ easy language.
- (c) ____ sun shines brightly.
- (d) ____ able man has not always a distinguished look.
- (e) Yesterday ____ European called at my office.

5. The following passage has not been edited. There is *one error* in each of the *indicated lines*. Rewrite the passage correctly. (Example : *fretted* = *fretful*) **(5×1=5)**

The Band-Aid was invented in New Jersey.

Dickson was fretted as his wife Josephine cut (*fretted*=*fretful*) (-)
herself again and again on working in the (a)
kitchen. One day while he was wrapping his (b)
wound once again on a bulky bandage of gauze (c)
and tape, he was struck by a idea. He put some (d)
gauze on a strip of the medical tape and the Band-Aid was born. (e)

6. Rewrite the following sentences as directed : **(5×1=5)**

- (a) Who did this work ? (change into passive voice)
- (b) You will be punished. You must apologize. (join using 'otherwise')
- (c) Feathers are so *light* that they seem to float. (identify the part of speech)
- (d) The perfume is for your sister and yourself. (correct the sentence)
- (e) The judge found the accused *innocent*. (replace *innocent* with antonym)

7. Translate the following sentences into english : **(5×2=10)**

- (a) Tunlai chu ruah a sur nasa thei hle mai.
- (b) Naktukah min hrilh nawn leh rawh.
- (c) A chanve in insem ang.
- (d) Sanga leh Liana hi naupen tet atanga in kawm an ni.
- (e) Hun vawn dik hi a pawimawh hle.

8. Translate the following sentence into Mizo : **(5×2=10)**

- (a) I will be able to complete it day after tomorrow.
- (b) Hard work is the key to success.
- (c) I am so grateful for your help.
- (d) Health is wealth.
- (e) Close the door after you.

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